



North Carolina General Assembly
House of Representatives

HOUSE OVERSIGHT AND REFORM COMMITTEE

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July 10, 2023

Kristi Jones
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Raleigh, NC 27699-0301

Dear Ms. Jones:

In your April 6, 2023, letter to this committee, you stated, “In recent years, current and former SBI agents have contacted [the Governor’s Office] and leadership at the North Carolina Department of Public Safety to raise concerns about hiring, promotions and workplace practices at the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation.”

Pursuant to N.C. Gen. Stat. §126-24(3) and the authority cited below, we respectfully request you to provide the following documents, data, and reports. **Please provide any data in machine readable xlsx or csv format.**

1. All communications and records between any current or former SBI employee and the NC Governor’s Office from January 1, 2017, to the present regarding the concerns you referenced in your letter.
2. All communications and records between any current or former SBI employee and NC DPS from January 1, 2017, to the present you referenced in your letter.
3. Any communications between the NC Governor’s Office and the SBI director, deputy director, general counsel, legislative liaison, or any assistant director regarding the concerns you referenced in your letter.
4. Any communications between NC DPS and the SBI director, deputy director, general counsel, legislative liaison, or any assistant director regarding the concerns you referenced in your letter.
5. All communications, records, and reports related to any investigation conducted by the Governor’s Office, the SBI, or an outside law firm into any issues at SBI regarding “lack of racial diversity among sworn SBI agents, promotion decisions and practices, and access to training, among others.”


As a reminder, this Committee’s authority under N.C. Gen. Stat. §120-19 provides in part that “all officers, agents, agencies, and departments of the State are required to give to any committee of

either house of the General Assembly [...] upon request, all information, and all data within their possession, or ascertainable from their records. This requirement is mandatory and shall include requests made by any individual member of the General Assembly, one of its standing committees or the chair of a standing committee, or any other legislative panel duly appointed by the President Pro Tempore and/or the Speaker of the House or an agent or employee of such a legislative panel.”


While we understand that you may not personally maintain all the documents and reports requested, we trust that you will fulfill the responsibilities of your position as the Governor’s Office Chief of Staff in obtaining those documents from the appropriate channels.

We therefore request a full and complete response, including the production of any and all associated documents and data, by no later than 12:00 noon on Friday, July 14, 2023. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



Rep. Jake Johnson
Co-Chair



Rep. Harry Warren
Co-Chair